

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Application of Point Arena Water Works, Inc. for an order authorizing a rate increase in rates subject to refund producing additional annual revenues of \$70,137 or 56.9% for the test year 2002.

Application 02-11-057  
(Filed November 25, 2002)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING  
RESETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

On February 14, 2003, I issued a ruling setting a prehearing conference (PHC) for this proceeding and ordering the parties to meet and confer prior to the PHC. In a letter dated February 24, 2003, the applicant requested that the PHC be rescheduled to accommodate scheduling conflicts. The Commission's Water Division informed me by letter dated February 26, 2003, that the Commission staff intends to participate in the meet and confer, which has been tentatively scheduled for March 12, 2003.

I will grant the request to modify the schedule. The parties are directed to use the additional time to thoroughly review the issues raised in this proceeding and to determine which issues they intend to pursue through the formal hearing process. Such a process requires prefiled, written expert testimony that will be subject to discovery and cross-examination under oath. The less formal component of this process is a public participation hearing, which is available only to non-parties. Prior to the PHC, the parties shall discuss and attempt to resolve each procedural issue set out in my February 14, 2003, ruling. The PHC statements shall address each procedural issue and indicate any agreed-upon

resolution. Each party shall address each remaining disputed issue and present a proposed resolution with supporting rationale.

For good cause shown, the procedural schedule is modified as follows:

Parties Meet and Confer	No later than March 14, 2003.
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File and Serve PHC Statements	March 18, 2003
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PHC	March 20, 2003
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1:30 p.m.

Commission's Hearing Rooms

State Office Building

505 Van Ness Avenue

San Francisco, California

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that a prehearing conference will be held at the date and time set out above and the parties shall file and serve prehearing conference statements as described no later than March 18, 2003.

Dated February 28, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MARIBETH A. BUSHEY

Maribeth A. Bushey

Administrative Law Judge

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Resetting Prehearing Conference on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated February 28, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO  
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**N O T I C E**

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